[17th March 1954

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" The Government have sanctioned a recurring annual block grant of Rs. 10,000 from 1953–54 to this institution."

Raising of the full tank level of Rettanai Thangal in Gingee taluk.

* 220 Q.—SRI K. ARANGANATHAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Land Revenue be pleased to state—

(a) whether any representation was received by the Collector of South Arcot from the ryots of Thenputhur village, Gingee taluk, against the raising of the full tank level of Rettanai Thangal in the month of December 1953 or January 1954; and

(b) the action taken on the representation by the Collector of South Arcot and the results of the action?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" (a) Yes, Sir, in January 1954.

" (b) As the Full Tank Level of Rettanai Thangal has not been raised or proposed to be raised, the ryots were informed of the position at the half-yearly Irrigation Conference on 14th February 1954."

Prohibition of slow moving vehicles in certain roads in the City of Madras.

* 221 Q.—SRI S. RAMALINGAM (on behalf of Sri A. Ratnam) : Will the Hon. the Minister for Industries and Labour be pleased to state—

(a) the reasons for the order prohibiting slow moving transports (vehicles) in some of the prominent roads of the City of Madras from December 1953;

(b) what the roads covered by the scheme and their distance are;

(c) whether any representation was made to Government requesting the cancellation of the above order; and

(d) if so, the action taken thereon?

THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" (a) By this restriction it was expected that traffic congestion at the peak hours on certain very busy parts in the City will be relieved to a very great extent.

" (b) The roads which are now covered by the scheme and their distance are as follows :—

(1) Mount Road from Government House Junction to Spencer's Round—about 1·1 mile.

(2) General Patters Road from Wellington Talkies up to its junction with Pycrofts Road near Clock Tower—0·5 mile.

(3) General Hospital Road from Fort Traffic Umbrella to the Western end of General Hospital Bridge—0·5 mile.